AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend this application on page 1, line 1, by inserting the following new paragraph:

This is a division of, and claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of, U.S. Application No. 09/068,894, filed September 18, 1998, which is a national stage application under 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/EP97/05068, filed September 16, 1997. This application also claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Application No. 196 39 816.9, filed in Germany on September 27, 1996. All of the foregoing applications are incorporated herein by reference.